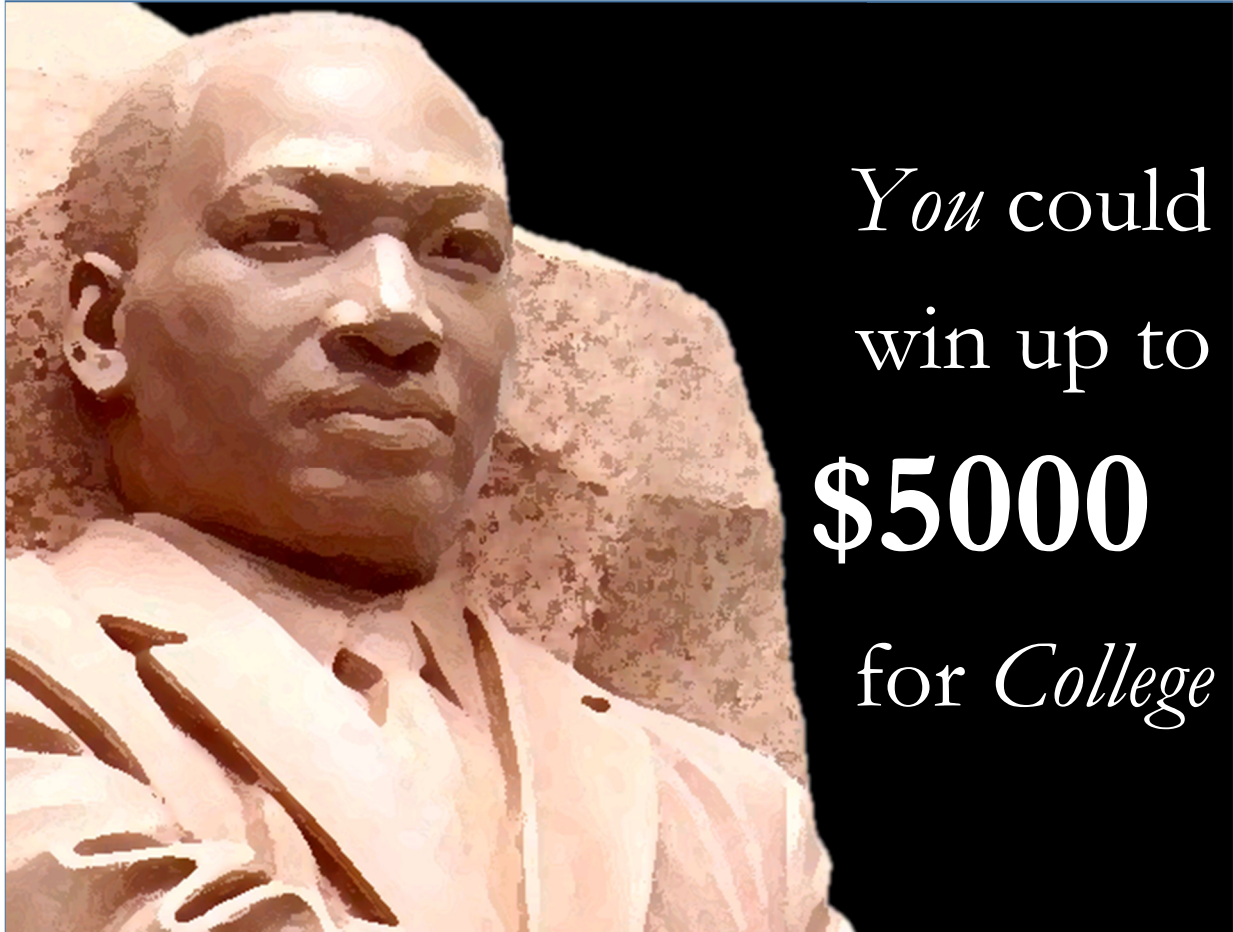


**GREATER LANSING
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
HOLIDAY COMMISSION**



2017 Scholarship Application

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DATE: October 17, 2016
TO: School Administrators, Guidance Counselors, and Community Leaders
FROM: Greater Lansing Area Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission
RE: **2017 Scholarship Contest - An Opportunity for Students**

The Greater Lansing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission is pleased to announce our **2017 High School Scholarship Contest!!!** A total of \$17,500 in awards is available to graduating seniors of the Greater Lansing area pursuing higher education. The Commission is excited about this opportunity to invest into the lives of our future leaders.

The Commission will award **TWO** (2) **\$5,000** and **THREE** (3) **\$2,500** scholarships. All applications that meet the minimum requirements will be considered for all awards. Our theme is:

“We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools.”

---Martin Luther King, Jr. 1965

ALL ENTRANTS WILL RECEIVE A FREE PIZZA



To enter the contest, interested students must fill out the attached application and qualify based on the following criteria:

- Be a graduating senior, Class of 2017, from a Greater Lansing area school
- Possess a 2.0 or higher career GPA (verification required).
- Submit a personal narrative expounding on theme, clearly defining their community and/or civic activities, and indicate why they feel they should be considered for the scholarship.
- The narrative must be 250 – 450 words typed double spaced, and 12 point font. Award recipients must submit an electronic version of the narrative to the Commission upon notification of award.
- Two letters of recommendation.
- Application deadline is **Friday, December 2, 2016** (post marked).

Enclosed is an official application. **Please inform students about this opportunity.** **The enclosed application may be copied for distribution.** Scholarship recipients will be notified in advance and honored at the annual luncheon celebration on Monday, January 16, 2017, held at the Lansing Center.

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**GREATER LANSING AREA DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., HOLIDAY COMMISSION
OFFICIAL APPLICATION**



**APPLICANT
QUALIFICATIONS**

Applicants must be a graduating high school senior.

Applicants must have at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average based on a 4.0 system.

Verification Required

Applicants must reside in the Greater Lansing Region.

Applicants must be attending an accredited college/university in the fall of the award year.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria: compelling essay, evidence of leadership, community service, and letters of recommendation.

APPLICATION ESSAYS

Essay should incorporate the stated theme and reflect on the applicant's personal experiences and vision

Theme:

"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools." - MLK

- Please print and complete this application. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- **COMPLETED** Application must be postmarked by **December 2, 2016**

APPLICANT INFO:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, Michigan ZIP: _____

E-mail: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Telephone: _____

ALT Telephone: _____

Parent's E-mail: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFO:

High School: _____

GPA (Copy of Transcripts Required): _____

What College/University will you be Attending?

Note: Verification of Enrollment is required before award funds will be released

City: _____ State: _____



SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:

Greater Lansing Area
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,
Holiday Commission
2017 Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 24112
Lansing, MI 48909-4112

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY

DECEMBER 2, 2016

CONTACT US:

For questions, e-mail us at:
awinston@cinnare.com

DISCLOSURE:

Applications missing any required components will not be considered. Plagiarism is grounds for disqualification and forfeiture of eligibility to receive an award from the Commission. Recipients are required to meet all qualifications, including providing official documentation of enrollment before funds will be disbursed. Recipients are selected by an independent panel of judges from the community. The Commission does not discriminate against any applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY SERVICE INFO

(Can attach student resume or additional sheets, if necessary)

Activities: _____

Community: _____

Leadership: _____

CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION RELEASE:

I hereby certify that all of the information in this application is true and accurate. I am aware that any misrepresentation will result in the disqualification of my application. I give the Greater Lansing Area Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Commission permission to release/publish, letters of recommendation, application, likeness, photographs, etc., if I am selected as a recipient.

Signature of Applicant

Date

I hereby certify that I have read this application and that the minor applicant has my permission to apply for this scholarship.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Application Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Essay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Official High School Transcript | <input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) Letters of Recommendation |